

LTEP Landing Page Content

Delivering Fairness and Choice

Ontario's 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP), *Delivering Fairness and Choice*, provides a road map of Ontario's energy sector for the next 20 years. Ontario has a robust supply of electricity. Our clean reliable electricity system provides the province with the energy needed to increase electrification of other sectors and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Plan is developed by the Ontario government, with input from industry experts and partners, businesses, First Nations and Métis and the people of Ontario. The last Plan was released in 2013.

We heard from Ontarians that consumers want more control and choice over how they use and pay for electricity. *Delivering Fairness and Choice* aims to give customers options in how they use energy and interact with the system. An example is the net metering framework, which will be enhanced to give customers new ways to participate in renewable energy generation and storage at their properties, and to reduce their electricity bills.

What does *Delivering Fairness and Choice* mean for you? The Plan focuses on how we will continue our work to ensure clean, reliable, and affordable energy and also highlights initiatives that will help deliver fairness and choice for Ontario households.

These initiatives include an enhanced conservation program for low-income electricity customers, and an Affordability Fund that will help those who don't qualify for low-income conservation programs to improve the energy efficiency of their homes, where this couldn't otherwise be done without support. We've expanded the eligibility criteria for the Ontario Electricity Support Program and increased the monthly credits by 50 per cent, and provided a 100 per cent delivery charge credit for eligible on-reserve First Nations households through the First Nations Delivery Credit. In addition, new protection measures are on the way for consumers living in individually metered condominiums and other multi-unit residential buildings.

We are committed to finding efficiencies in the electricity sector and creating a more competitive and flexible electricity marketplace. We are also ensuring that local communities have a voice in electricity planning and the evolution of our fuels sector.

Ontario's residential electricity price outlook is below the 2013 Long-Term Energy Plan's projections, as a result of the 25 per cent on average reduction for residential consumers through [Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan](#)—as well as a number of other measures aimed at reducing costs for families and businesses over the medium and long-term.

We are well-positioned for the future, with an energy system that is clean, reliable and ready to adapt to the technological innovations expected in the coming years.

How is the Long-Term Energy Plan developed?

The development of the Plan is prescribed in the [Electricity Act, 1998](#), with a technical report from the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO), the organization responsible for operating the grid and long-term planning of the electricity system. The report, the [Ontario Planning Outlook](#), was released in September 2016. Another report, the Fuels Technical Report establishes a comprehensive view of the fuels sector in the province. Both reports served as a starting point for the extensive engagement with the people of Ontario on the province's energy system, through in-person consultations and written submissions to the environmental registry. The feedback the ministry received informed *Delivering Fairness and Choice*.

Upon publishing the Plan, the Minister of Energy will direct the IESO and the Ontario Energy Board, the independent agency that regulates the electricity sector, to develop and bring forward implementation plans to the Minister for approval by January 31, 2018. Once the Minister of Energy approves the plans, the Province, the IESO, and the Board will move forward with implementation.

Additional Resources:

- *Delivering Fairness and Choice* news release, backgrounder and brochure
- Long-Term Energy Plans: 2010 and 2013
- The IESO's Ontario Planning Outlook, a technical report that provides a 10-year review of Ontario's electricity sector and a 20-year outlook over the 2016 – 2035 period.
- The Fuels Technical Report, a technical report prepared for the Ministry of Energy that provides a 10-year review of Ontario's fuels sector and projected outlooks over the 2016 – 2035 period.
- LTEP Engagement Storymap
- LTEP Environmental Registry Decision Notice
- Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan
- Reports by expert third parties:
 - *Considerations for Deploying In-Front-of-the-Meter Conservation Technologies in Ontario* (Navigant Consulting)
 - *Market Analysis of Ontario's Renewable Energy Sector* (Compass Renewable Energy Consulting Inc.)

The Timeline:

- Future: The IESO and the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) begin developing LTEP-related programs and policy initiatives.
- Future: The Minister of Energy approves the IESO and the OEB's implementation plans.
- Fall 2017: *Delivering Fairness and Choice* is released, and the Minister directs the IESO and the OEB to develop implementation plans.
- October 2016 to January 2017: LTEP sessions with energy system partners and public open houses are held in 17 communities, Indigenous engagement sessions are held in an additional 17 communities across Ontario.
- October 13, 2016: The Ministry of Energy releases the [Long-Term Energy Plan Discussion Guide](#), and the people of Ontario are invited to provide input on the next LTEP through an online survey and the [Environmental Registry](#).

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- September 30, 2016: The Ontario government releases the [Fuels Technical Report](#)
- September 1, 2016: The IESO releases the [Ontario Planning Outlook](#) ;
- July 1, 2016: [The Energy Statute Law Amendment Act](#) takes effect, establishing the legal framework for future long-term energy planning